UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC. SECURITIES, DERIVATIVE AND ERISA LITIGATION

This Document Relates To: Derivative Action, 07cv9696 (JSR) (DFE)

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NOTICE OF MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL

Defendant John A. Thain hereby moves to substitute Dechert LLP for Skadden,

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